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SUBJECT: ECLA EXPERTS MEETING

REF: BOGOTA 2503

1. SUMMARY. EMBOFFS FROM DEVELOPED COUNTRIES WHICH ARE MEMBERS OF ECLA MET ON MARCH 26 WITH ECLA EXECUTIVE SECRETARY ENRIQUE IGLESIAS FOR BRIEFING ON MEETING OF ECLA COMMITTEE OF HIGH-LEVEL GOVERNMENT EXPERTS AND FOR PREVIEW OF SECRETARIAT PROPOSALS ON ORGANIZATION OF PORT OF SPAIN SESSION. END SUMMARY

2. IGLESIAS' COMMENTS ON BOGOTA MEETING AND REPORT ADOPTED AT THAT MEETING WERE PERFUNCTORY. HE STRESSED "COMPLETE" HARMONY AT INTERGOVERNMENTAL POLITICAL LEVEL (NO CONFLICT BETWEEN CUBANS AND CHILEANS), ON ANALYSIS OF LA SITUATION AND ON COURSES OF ACTION. IN HIS PRESENTATION IGLESIAS ATTEMPTED TO PLAY DOWN CONTROVERSIAL ASPECTS OF REPORT. HE EMPHASIZED

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EXTENSIVE TREATMENT GIVEN TO LA INTERNAL DEVELOPMENTS AND

FACT THAT PLAN OF ACTION INCORPORATES ALREADY WELL KNOWN LA POSITIONS (COMMODITY AGREEMENTS, MONETARY REFORM, TRANSNATIONAL ENTERPRISES, ETC.). SINCE EMBOFFS DID NOT HAVE PAPER BEFORE MEETING WITH IGLESIAS, THERE WAS RELATIVELY LITTLE BASIS FOR SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSION.

3. SUBSEQUENT PERUSAL LEADS US TO BELIEVE THAT USG WILL HAVE NUMBER OF PROBLEMS WITH REPORT. IN ADDITION TO AREAS NOTED IN REFTTEL, ECLA EXPERTS EXHORT US AND OTHER DCS ON GATT AND MONETARY REFORM NEGOTIATIONS. REPORT CALLS FOR JURIDICAL AMENDMENTS TO THE GATT TO INCLUDE "ALL THE PRINCIPLES WHICH DEVELOPING COUNTRIES PREPARED WITHIN UNCTAD" TO GIVE "NEW ECONOMIC ORDER AN INSTITUTIONAL FORM." DCS ARE FLAILED FOR EXCLUDING LDC'S FROM DECISIONS ON SUBSTANTIVE ELEMENTS OF INTERNATIONAL MONETARY REFORM. RESPONSIBILITY FOR WORLD INFLATION AND FOR LA FAILURE TO MEET IDS TARGETS ATTRIBUTED LARGELY TO ALLEGED DC SHORTCOMINGS.

4. EXPERTS ALSO MAKE CONTROVERSIAL PROPOSALS RE POOLING OF LA PUBLIC ENTERPRISE PURCHASES ABROAD AS MEANS TO IMPROVE BARGAINING POSITION WITH EXTERNAL SUPPLIERS, ESTABLISHMENT OF LA REGIONAL AND SUBREGIONAL COUNCILS TO EXERT COLLECTIVE WEIGHT ON SHIPPING CHARGES, AND COMPILATION OF LIST OF LA CONSULTANTS TO ENHANCE LA TECHNOLOGICAL INDEPENDENCE. REPORT RECOMMENDS CAREFUL STUDY OF POSSIBLE LA SYSTEM OF PAYMENTS.

5. WITH RESPECT TO PORT-OF-SPAIN MEETING, IGLESIAS PROPOSES THAT SESSION TERMINATE BY MAY 13 RATHER THAN MAY 15 AS PREVIOUSLY SCHEDULED. TO EXPEDITE PROCEEDINGS IGLESIAS WANTS PLENARY TO BE COMPLEMENTED BY TWO WORKING COMMITTEES WHERE MOST OF SUBSTANTIVE WORK WOULD BE DONE. IN THIS WAY REPORTS AND RESOLUTIONS OF MEETING COULD BE COMPLETED DURING FIRST WEEK, LEAVING TWO DAYS FOR PLENARY DISCUSSIONS. LETTER INCORPORATING THESE SUGGESTIONS WILL BE FORTHCOMING IN ABOUT TEN DAYS. IGLESIAS SAID THAT TT GOVERNOR GENERAL WILL OPEN SESSION AND THAT PM WILLIAMS WILL BE PRESIDENT OF THE SIXTEENTH ECLA MEETING.

6. EMBASSY POUCHED TWO COPIES OF REPORT OF THE MEETING OF HIGH LEVEL GOVERNMENT EXPERTS MARCH 26. ADDITIONAL COPIES LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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